

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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Spears and Osamu Ohno

SERIAL NUMBER: 09/849,731

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FOR: A DIAGNOSTIC PETTE ASSEMBLY  
INCLUDING AUTOMATED  
ASPIRATION APPARATUS

PATENT

ART UNIT NO.: 1743

EXAMINER: Dwayne K. Handy

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.:  
HCDI1786

San Jose, California  
January 15, 2004

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## RESPONSE A TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Response Transmittal is being submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2003, relating to the above-identified application. Reexamination and reconsideration of said application are respectfully requested. Please note that there was an error in the original submission of this case. The correct file number of this case is **HCDI1786**. The Office and the Examiner are requested to take note of this change.

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**January 15, 2004**

Transmitted herewith is Response A in the above-identified application.

☒ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR §1.9 and §1.27 has been established.

☒ Corrected Drawings, to wit: Figs. 3 and 8 with appropriate red lettering.

☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §1.9 and §1.27 is enclosed.

☒ Fee of \$55 for extension of time in the first month.

☐ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No Previously Paid for	Present Extra
TOTAL	* 19	MINUS	** 21	= 0
INDEP.	* 4	MINUS	*** 5	= 0
___ FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDANT CLAIM				

SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X 11 =	\$
X 39 =	\$
+125 =	\$
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	<b>\$0</b>

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X 22 =	\$
X 78 =	\$
+250 =	\$
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	<b>\$0</b>

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The total fee required with this communication is \$.00 and is provided as follows:

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Respectfully submitted

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